GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:463
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2010
RASHTRIYA SWASTHYA BIMA YOJANA
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of families covered under the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana, so far;
- (b) the ratio of expenditure shared between the Union and the State Governments on the said scheme;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any target to cover all the workers under the scheme in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO PART (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 463 FOR ANSWER ON 13.12.2010 REGARDING RASHTRIYA SWASTHYA BIMA YOJANA.

- (a): 2.18 crore smart cards have been issued as on 30.11.2010 in 25 States/Union Territories.
- (b): The premium under the scheme is shared between Central Government and State Government in the ratio of 75:25. In case of States of North -East region and Jammu and Kashmir, the premium is shared in the ratio of 90:10. Additionally the cost of smart card is borne by the Central Government.
- (c) & (d): The scheme was initially for Below Poverty Line (BPL) families to be covered in five years but it is gradually being extended to other segments of workers, like building and other construction workers and street vendors.